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SUBJ: TEN-DAY "FESTIVAL" IN PORTUGAL HONORS USSR REVOLUTION

1. A TEN-DAY NATIONAL FESTIVAL WAS INAUGURATED NOV 3 IN LISBON, UNDER SPONSOR SHIP OF THE PORTUGAL-USSR ASSOCIATION, IN HONOR OF THE FIFTY-EIGHT ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOLSHEVIK REVOLUTION. THE LARGEST NUMBER OF EVENTS ARE OCCURRING IN LISBON AND SETUBAL, WHERE THE ASSOCIATION IS MOST ACTIVE, BUT THEY ALSO HAVE BEEN PROGRAMMED IN MORE THAN A DOZEN OTHER PORTUGUESE CITIES.

2. FOLK DANCE TROUPE: A GROUP OF YOUNG FOLK DANCERS FROM AZERBAIJAN WILL PERFORM IN OPORTO, AVEIRO, COIMBRA, ALPIARCA, LISBON, EVORA, AND BEJA.

3. GYMNASTICS TEAM: A GROUP, INCLUDING "GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONS" OF 1959, 1960, 1949, AND 1944, WILL PERFORM IN FOUR CITIES.

4. FILM CLASSICS: A SERIES OF 16 SOVIET FILM CLASSICS IS UNCLASSIFIED

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BEING SHOWN IN LISBON. SOME OF THESE ALSO WILL BE SHOWN IN

16 CITIES OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL.

5. EXHIBITS: AN EXHIBITION OF "ARTISTIC PHOTOS" ENTITLED
"GREAT OCTOBER IN RUSSIA", ORGANIZED BY THE MOSCOW MUSUEM OF
THE REVOLUTION, AND A SHOW ON SOVIET ART BOOKS AND FOLK ARTS
ARE PROGRAMMED FOR LISBON AND NINE OTHER TOWNS.
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